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MAYOR BOB FILNER WELCOMES TIJUANA SOCCER TEAM: THE XOLOS!

(San Diego)—Mayor Bob Filner extended a warm welcome to the Tijuana Xolos Soccer Team today at Petco Park as they prepared to begin their winter training camp.

The Xolos presented the Mayor with a special trophy and team jersey.

“What an honor to have the Xolos choose to come to our city to train. We are fans here in San Diego and we are excited to see what they will accomplish in the future. This is a great example of how we can build cross border relationships and support each other,” said Mayor Filner.

The Xolos will spend an entire week doing their “two-a-days” training as part of their pre-season preparations in San Diego.

A team spokesperson said they want to show they are dedicated to cultivating a relationship with San Diego and its communities and coming here to train is a great way to begin.

The Xolos won its first league title earlier this month. They also became the youngest team to win a first division title since being promoted to the top circuit in May of 2011. That is the equivalent of an expansion NFL team winning the Super Bowl a year after its insertion into the league.

Team members said they were excited to meet the Mayor and look forward to spending a week in our beautiful city.

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